

**ABSTRACT**

**1,5,7-TRISUBSTITUTED BENZIMIDAZOLE DERIVATIVES AND THEIR  
USE FOR MODULATING THE GABA<sub>A</sub> RECEPTOR COMPLEX**

This invention relates to novel 1,5,7-trisubstituted benzimidazole derivatives, pharmaceutical compositions containing these compounds, and methods of treatment therewith.

The compounds of the invention are useful in the treatment of central nervous system diseases and disorders, which are responsive to modulation of the GABA<sub>A</sub> receptor complex.